

CALIFORNIA STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

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Professional Boxer/Mixed Martial Arts/Kickboxing Athlete

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

*You must submit the actual application form before or with your medical documents and other licensing materials.
Medical documents will not be accepted without an application form on file in the office.*

1. APPLICATION FORM – Complete and sign. The Social Security Number (SSN) is mandatory (if applicable). Use your Social Security Number. It is a violation of federal law to use another person's SSN.

2. APPLICATION PROCESSING FEE – \$60.00 Personal Check, Cashier's Check or Money Order enclosed.

3. PHOTOGRAPH – Two recent passport sized photographs (2"x 2"). A color electronic file (ex. jpeg) that is emailed to CSAC@dca.ca.gov is preferred.

4. NEUROLOGICAL EXAMINATION – Must be performed and completed by a licensed physician that specializes in neurology or neurosurgery. This examination is valid for 15 months. For example examinations taken on January 1, 2013 will be valid until April 1, 2014.

5. MRI (Brain Imaging Scan) – Must be performed by an approved medical practitioner. This scan is valid for 5 years. However, the California State Athletic Commission (Athletic Commission) reserves the right to require you to undergo any additional medical testing to satisfy their understanding of your suitability to compete if you suffer an untoward pertinent medical event or suffer physical damage or injury through your career.

At a minimum, the MRI scan is to be performed on a 1.5 Tesla MR Machine with capabilities including fast spin echo and FLAIR imaging. Image sequences should include axial T1, T2, and FLAIR images; coronal images should be performed as a T2 coronal; and a single sagittal T1 sequence. Please take this report and the **MRI Review Summary** form to a licensed neurologist or neurosurgeon. Please forward the report and form immediately to the Athletic Commission.

6. EKG – Must be performed by a the licensed. This test is considered a "baseline" medical test. A baseline medical test is not required to be performed again unless you suffer an untoward pertinent medical event or suffer physical damage or injury through your career. However, for health and safety reasons the Athletic Commission reserves the right to require you to undergo any medical testing to satisfy their understanding of your suitability to compete. Please have the physician who conducted your physical examination review this report and complete a **Cardiovascular History** form. Please forward the report and form immediately to the Athletic Commission.

7. EYE EXAMINATION – Must be performed by a licensed ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist and is valid for 1 year. The examination may be performed out of state but it must be documented on a form approved by the Athletic Commission and completed and signed by an ophthalmologist or optometrist. Please forward the report and form immediately to the Athletic Commission.

8. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION – Must be completed by a licensed physician and is valid for 1 year period. Please forward the report and form immediately to the Athletic Commission.

9. BLOOD TESTS RESULTS for HIV antibody, HBV (Hepatitis B Surface Antigen), and HCV (Hepatitis C Antibody) must be submitted with an Application for Professional Athlete on the letterhead of the laboratory that administered the tests. The laboratory must be certified by the Federal Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act. The blood tests must be taken **within 30 days** of the date of application.

Note: HIV, HBV & HCV tests must be retaken if the boxer or mixed martial arts athlete will be competing in a contest that will take place more than **180 days** from the date the initial tests were submitted for issuance or renewal of a license.

11. BOXER'S PENSION PLAN ENROLLMENT FORM – Enrollment in the Boxer's Pension Plan is voluntary and there is no fee; however, you must complete the enrollment form with beneficiary information in order to be entered into the program so that your rounds are calculated for eventual payment of retirement benefits. Unless your beneficiary information or your contact information has changed you need not complete these documents again if you have already done so. Please ensure that all beneficiary information is kept up to date with the Commission until all benefits have been disbursed.

BOXERS ONLY - Federal Identification (ID) Card

The Federal Boxing Act of 1997 requires every professional boxer to obtain a Federal ID card from his or her state of residence. If the boxer resides in a state or country where there is no boxing commission, the boxer must register in a state with a boxing commission. Please see the Boxer Federal ID Card Application Instructions for more information. Boxers must possess a Federal ID card, a valid government issued ID, and a valid license for Professional Athlete at the time of the weigh-in or he/she will not be allowed to compete.

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS (MMA) Athletes ONLY- National Identification (ID) Card

Professional MMA athletes are required to obtain a National ID card. Please see the Application for MMA National ID Card for more information. The athlete must possess a National ID card, a valid government issued ID, and a valid license for Professional Athlete at the time of the weigh-in or he/ she will not be allowed to compete.